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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA

FRANCISCO VIDAL,

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Case No. 2:19-cv-02085-RFB-VCF

Petitioner,

ORDER

BRIAN WILLIAMS, et. al,

Respondents.

Petitioner, a Nevada prisoner, has filed a motion (with an attached Habeas Corpus Petition) on this Court's standard form for an Application to Proceed *In Forma Pauperis*. ECF No. 1. He has, however, changed the title of the motion to "motion to waive financial" certificate due to department failing/refusing to provide executed certificate."

Under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(2) and Local Rule LSR 1-2, an incarcerated litigant applying to proceed in forma pauperis must attach both an inmate account statement for the past six months and a properly executed financial certificate. Petitioner has not complied with either requirement. Based on the attachments to Petitioner's motion, it appears to the Court that Petitioner is not following the correct procedure for obtaining a financial certificate and account statement from the Nevada Department for Corrections (NDOC). Petitioner cites no other reason for NDOC's alleged failure to provide him with the necessary paperwork. Moreover, this Court receives several properly completed in

forma pauperis motions from NDOC prisoners every week. Thus, Petitioner's request to waive the financial certificate requirement is denied.

Because it is incomplete, the Application for Leave to Proceed *In Forma Pauperis* will be denied. In addition, Petitioner has submitted a habeas petition that is not on the Court's approved form. <u>See</u> Local Rule LSR 3-1 ("A petition for writ of habeas corpus filed by a person who is not represented by an attorney must be on the form provided by this court."). The present action will be dismissed without prejudice to the filing of a **new** petition in a **new** action with a pauper application on the proper form with all required attachments or, alternatively, with payment of the \$5.00 filing fee.

IT THEREFORE IS ORDERED that the Application to Proceed *In Forma Pauperis* (ECF No. 1) is DENIED and that this action shall be DISMISSED without prejudice to the filing of a new petition in a new action with either a properly completed Application to Proceed *In Forma Pauperis* or payment of the \$5.00 filing fee.

IT FURTHER IS ORDERED that a Certificate of Appealability is DENIED, as jurists of reason would not find the Court's dismissal of this improperly commenced action without prejudice to be debatable or incorrect.

IT FURTHER IS ORDERED that the Clerk of Court shall send Petitioner two copies each of an application form to proceed in forma pauperis for incarcerated persons and a noncapital Section 2254 habeas petition form, one copy of the instructions for each form, and a copy of the papers that he submitted in this action.

IT FURTHER IS ORDERED that the Clerk of Court shall enter judgment accordingly and close this case.

DATED THIS 12th day of December, 2019.

RICHARD F. BOULWARE, II UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE